

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the objection to the Abstract is hereby requested. The Abstract has been amended as suggested. Therefore, reconsideration of this objection is respectfully requested.

Reconsideration of the objection to Claims 2 and 6 is hereby requested. Claim 2 has been amended to insert the word "in" after "wherein" to clarify the wording. Claim 6 has been amended to insert the words "nozzle-type" before "fanning-out". Claim 6 has been cancelled as indicated below, but the amended language of Claim 6 is included in new Claim 19. Therefore, reconsideration of this objection is respectfully requested.

As stated in the Office Action, Claims 4 and 12 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claims and any intervening claims. Accordingly, Claims 4 and 12 have been so rewritten in independent form and are considered to be in condition for allowance and such is respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 3, and 6 are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter therein.

Claims 2, 5, 7, 11, and 13 have been amended to change their dependencies.

New Claims 17-28 have been added and include the subject matter of Claims 2, 5-11, and 13-16, respectively.

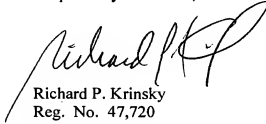
Dependent Claims 2, 5, 7-11, and 13-28 depend from one of allowable Claims 4 and 12 and are considered to be allowable for at least the same reasons as their respective independent claim and for their own limitations as well, and such is respectfully requested.

In view of the above, Claims 2, 4, 5, and 7-28 and the application are in condition for allowance and such is respectfully requested.

It is respectfully requested that, if necessary to effect a timely response, this paper be considered as a Petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response and

shortages in other fees, be charged, or any overpayment in fees be credited, to the Account of Barnes & Thornburg LLP, Deposit Account No. 02-1010 (677/44948).

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard P. Krinsky". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Richard" being more legible than the last name "Krinsky".

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Enclosures: Amendments to and Listing of Claims
Amendments to the Abstract of the Disclosure

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